

REMARKS

This amendment is submitted in response to an Office Communication in which the Reply filed November 5, 2004 was deemed non-responsive for improper claim numbering. Applicants had re-numbered the claims to reflect that Claim 20 had been skipped in the original claim numbering. The Examiner indicated that the original claim numbering should be restored.

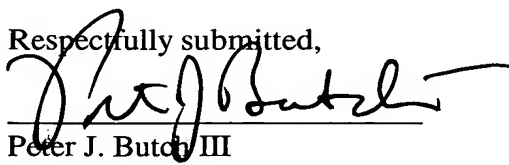
Accordingly, a clean copy of the claims is presented herewith reflecting that Claims 1-19 are canceled, Claim 20 was omitted and never presented, Claims 21 – 44 are canceled, Claims 45 – 57 are elected, Claims 58 – 60 are canceled, Claims 61 – 69 are elected, Claim 70 is canceled, and new Claims 71 – 88 are added. Claim dependencies have been amended to reflect the re-numbering of the claims.

A favorable first action on the merits is respectfully requested. The Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 19-5425 for any charges in connection with this Amendment.

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Respectfully submitted,



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